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Low rent increase for Clydebank HA tenants

Clydebank Housing Association will apply a 1.7% rent increase for 2016/17. The increase will enable the Association to continue to provide competitive and affordable rents, as well as allow for future investment in the maintenance of its housing stock. A proposed increase of between 1.7% and 3% went out to tenants for consultation and a total of 96 responses were received. Of those who responded 93% were satisfied with the information provided and 85% understood a rent increase between 1.7% and 3% was necessary.

Joe Farrell, Housing Manager said, "We are delighted to be able to limit our rent increase to 1.7%. We only ever raise our rents by the amount required to manage and maintain our tenants' homes and through prudent financial and performance management, we have ensured that our rents remain low in comparison to a lot of other Housing Associations and Councils. We were so pleased so many tenants took the time to respond to our consultation."

He added, "It is particularly pleasing to see that the majority of our tenants (84%) who currently live in one or two bedroom properties continue to be charged some of the lowest rents in the district for their size of home and limiting our rent increase to 1.7% for next year should enable us to maintain this position."

Clydebank Housing Association looks forward to being able to sustain or indeed exceed its high level of tenant satisfaction by continuing to provide excellent services to their tenants whilst at the same time ensuring their houses are maintained to a high standard with planned major repairs spend of just over £1.3 million budgeted for 2016/17.

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